IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph at page 6, lines 11-17, with the following rewritten paragraph:

During image forming operation, toner <u>may</u> undesirably <u>passed pass</u> the cleaning blade 11 and impurities <u>flying may fly</u> about <u>the</u> inside <u>of</u> the apparatus body and <u>including</u> <u>as a result</u> toner <u>may</u> deposit on the surface of the charge roller 2. Such toner and impurities would make the charging of the drum 1 irregular or defective and would thereby lower the image quality of the resulting toner image.

Please replace the paragraph at page 9, line 16, to page 10, line 6, with the following rewritten paragraph:

While the length of the filaments constituting the brush 20 is open to choice, it should preferably be 2 mm or less, more preferably 0.4 mm to 0.6 mm. It should note be noted that the length of the filaments excludes the portions affixed to the core 19. The filaments with such a small length successfully reduce a bending moment to act on the base portions of the filaments although the filaments elastically bend in contact with the charge roller 2. The brush 20 is therefore free from yield or permanent deformation over a long period of time and achieves a long life. If the length of the filaments is greater than 2 mm, then the distance between nearby filaments at the tip increases with the result that the load to act on the individual filament filaments contacting the charge roller 21 increases, aggravating the yield of the brush 20.

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Please replace the paragraph at page 10, line 21, to page 11, line 7, with the following rewritten paragraph:

While the diameter and density of the filaments of the brush 20 are also open to choice, the diameter should preferably be 2 denier or below while the density should preferably be 20,000 filaments/cm² or above, more preferably 30,000 filaments/cm². With this configuration, a great number of filaments contact the charge roller 2 with the result that the load to act on the individual filament filaments decreases. This is also successful to protect the brush 20 from yield over a long period of time. Further, the great number of filaments contacting the charge roller 2 can efficiently, uniformly clean the charge roller 2 for thereby insuring high image quality.

Please replace the paragraph at page 11, lines 8-15, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The weight of the brush 12, which is also open to choice, should preferably be 50 g or above, but 200 g or below, in order to guarantee the adequate bite of the brush 20 and smooth rotation of the brush roller 12. A weight below than 50 g makes the amount of bite of the brush 20 short and thereby lowers the cleaning efficiency. A weight above 200 g makes the amount of byte bite excessive and thereby accelerates the yield of the brush.